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For: PHARMACOLOGIC-FUNCTIONING WATER AND USAGE OF THE SAME

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed September 23, 2008, which sets a three-month shortened statutory period for response until December 23, 2008.

Applicants hereby request an extension of time for two (2) months to extend the period for response to February 23, 2009, and are concurrently filing a formal request for extension of time for one month accompanied by the government fee. If for any reason the formal request for extension of time is not associated with the file at the Patent and Trademark Office and/or if for any reason an extension of time and/or any fee is necessary for maintaining the pendency of the application, including any extension of time or claim fee, this is an express request for any required extension of time and authorization to charge any necessary fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, beginning on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections in view of the amendment and remarks that follow: